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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the
following documents:

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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- 1 S. Wolf, Silicon Processing, 1990, Lattice Press, Volume 2, Page 111.
- 2 Wolf, Stanley and Richard N. Tauber; Silicon Procesing For the VLSI Era, Volume 1: Process Technology; Sunset Beach, CA: Lattice Press, 1986, pp. 191-194.
- 3 S. Wolf, Silicon Processing For the VLSI Era, 1990, Lattice Press, Volume 2, page 191.

The aforementioned U.S. Patent Documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 (submitted in duplicate), fall under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii) for which the requirement to provide copies is waived. Accordingly, no copies of the aforementioned U.S. Patent Documents are provided. Copies of the aforementioned foreign documents and non-patent documents are being provided herewith.

U.S. Patent No. 3,430,835 was cited in an Office Action dated October 9, 2007 in co-pending commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/971,341. U.S. Patent No.

4,196,232 was cited in an Office Action dated April 10, 2007 in co-pending commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/741,647. U.S. Patent No. 6,563,224 was cited in an Office Action dated October 16, 2003 in co-pending commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/379,820.

Above-identified foreign documents 1 and 5-13 were cited in an Office Action dated February 1, 2007 in Japanese Patent Application No. 10-543031, which is the Japanese counterpart of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/835,190, now U.S. Patent No. 5,915,167. Foreign document 2 was cited in an Office Action dated May 17, 2005 in Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-411658, now Japanese Patent No. 3816483, which is the Japanese counterpart of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/027,959, now abandoned. Foreign documents 3 and 4 were cited in an Office Action dated October 8, 2004 in Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-411658, now Japanese Patent No. 3816483, which is the Japanese counterpart of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/027,959, now abandoned.

Above-identified non-patent document 1 was cited in an Office Action dated June 1, 2007 in co-pending commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application 10/379,820. Non-patent document 2 was cited in an Office Action dated January 26, 2006 in co-pending commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/741,647. Non-patent document 3 was cited in an Office Action dated April 20, 2006 in co-pending commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/379,820.

It is respectfully requested that these references be: (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office

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The Examiner is advised that the following applications, listed in the table below, contain subject matter that may be related to the pending claims in the present application. In particular, applicant would like to draw the Examiner's attention to the fact that substantive examination may have occurred in these applications, and applicant invites the Examiner to review any Office Actions that have issued or will issue in these cases. At the Examiner's request, we will provide copies of any Office Actions and/or responses to Office Actions that have issued in these applications. By bringing these applications to the Examiner's attention, applicant does not waive the confidentiality provisions of 35 U.S.C. 122.

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